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ROOSEVELT NOTIFIED

THAT HE IS THE REPUBLICAN NOMINEE TO SUCCEED HIMSELF AS PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

PEOPLE WE ALL KNOW

SKETCHES OF POPULAR EMPLOYEES OF THE FAIRMONT AND CLARKSBURG ELECTRIC RAILWAY CO.

George Lantz is another of the men who has been with the street railway people since its opening in this city, and claims to be the oldest man in its employ, although some are with them now who were here previous to himself but they have left and returned again.

Lantz came to this city from Greene county, Pa., twenty-five years ago, and worked in the mines of this region, and for seven or eight years before his railway career was fire boss at the Shaft mine.

He was conductor when the line opened, continuing as such until one year ago when he assumed the duties of motorman.

Lantz owns a swell grocery store in the Barns building on upper Main street and does an excellent business.

P. M. Lough is a brother of O. F. Lough, the head bookkeeper for the Traction Company, and has been in the service about eighteen months, over twelve of which have been spent on the suburban line, as conductor of No. 16.

Lough was a Farmingtonite originally, and contributes his share in holding up the standard of good looks for which the Monongah line is famous.

Lough is one of the most accommodating conductors on the line, popular both with fellow employees and patrons.

FIRE

THREATENED THE DESTRUCTION OF THE PACKING HOUSE OF SWIFT AND COMPANY. PROMPT WORK OF DEPARTMENT.

CHICAGO, July 27.—A fire which momentarily threatened to reach serious proportions, started at 8:30 o'clock this morning in the lard refinery of Swift and Company, in the center of the packing district at the stock yards. Two thirds of the structure, which was filled with machinery and inflammable material, was destroyed with an estimated loss of \$50,000. The cause of the fire is not definitely determined, but it is believed to have been due to an overheated dynamo that had been neglected.

Prompt work by the fire department, which has made special arrangements for guarding the stock yards, section during the pending strike, kept the fire to the building in which it originated, although for a time it was feared that the flames would spread to the whole plant of Swift and Company. The firemen were not hampered by interfering crowds, as the building is within the zone of packing town that is protected by police and private detectives together with fences and stockades. None but packing house employees, the police and the firemen were permitted to enter this zone.

At the urgent request of some who have friends wishing to visit the whale exhibition, and while completing arrangements for its transportation, Captain Anderson has consented to remain a few days longer before taking his departure. The exhibition has been well patronized by many of our good people, who only speak of it in words of praise. Those wishing to see a genuine whale, and to gain useful knowledge regarding its mode of life and the methods of whaling, must improve the limited opportunity before the Captain leaves with it.

STATE SOLONS AT WORK

REPUBLICANS HELD CAUCUS AND DECIDED TO STAND BY BILLS AS REPORTED BY COMMITTEE.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., July 27.—(Special.)—Republicans are busy trying to do things and the Democrats are equally as busy trying to keep anything from being done unless they think it will be detrimental to Republican success in the coming election.

To-day's session opened at ten o'clock, but it is not thought any action will be taken on the tax bills before to-morrow.

CHARLESTON, July 27, 3 P. M.—The resolution providing for the submission of the constitutional amendment and all the compromise bills has been introduced in both houses. No opposition from Democrats so far who have not yet agreed upon a policy. Republican caucus this afternoon; House adjourned till 10 o'clock Thursday. Many Republican leaders are here and good feeling prevails.

The Work Yesterday. In the Senate J. F. Cree, of Brooke county, elected from the First Senatorial district to succeed the late Hon. Samuel George, took the oath of office.

Resolutions of respect were adopted in both branches to the memories of the late Samuel George, of Brooke county, in the Senate, and Mr. Maxwell, of Harrison county, in the House. Senator Snyder of Ohio county, offered a tribute to Senator George in the following:

"Since the adjournment of the last session of this body an all wise Providence has taken from earth the venerable Samuel George, of the county of Brooke, an associate whom we loved, and whose life and example was of the highest type and worthy of the greatest emulation; a citizen, one of the most patriotic; a business man, one of the most successful; and a legislator, one of the ablest and most conservative. In his death the State of West Virginia has lost one of its best men."

Out of respect for the deceased members, both houses adjourned until Wednesday morning.

Bills Distributed. After adjournment the bills adopted by the Parkersburg committee were distributed among the members. Before the members had left their seats, Speaker Moats in the house and President May in the Senate announced that a conference of Republican members would take place at eight o'clock Tuesday night in the House of Delegates to consider the proposed tax bills.

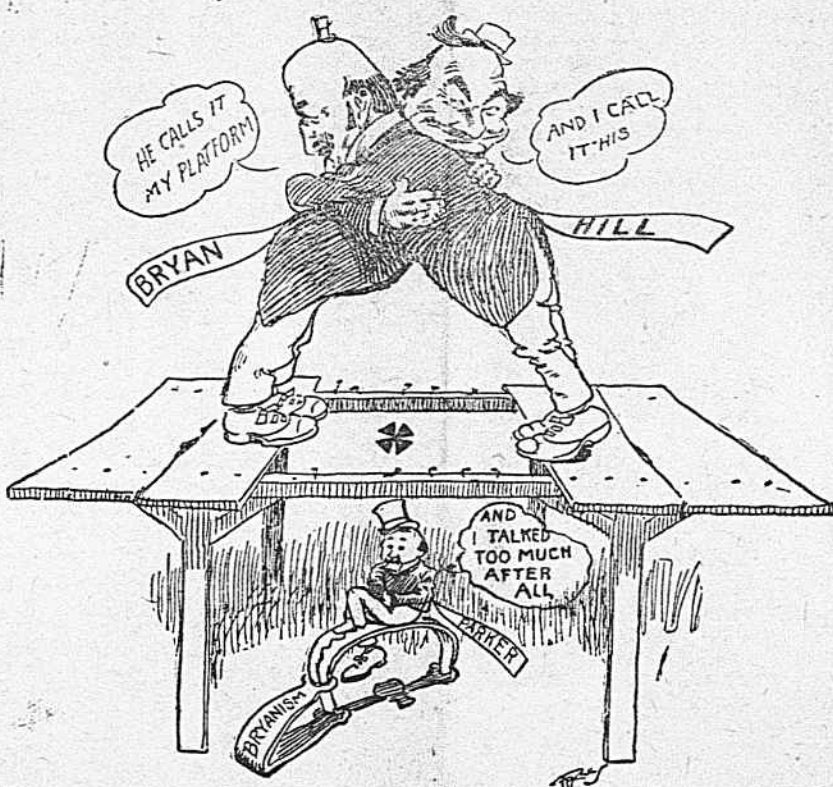
Agreeable to the call every Republican member of the Legislature in the city in conference at eight o'clock to-night to consider the tax bills. The meeting developed the spirit of unanimity that was truly remarkable, and gave assurance that the Republican party would meet the common enemy as a united party in every sense of the word. The remark made by Senator Ira E. Robinson that "he was thinking more of the Republican party than anything else at the present time, seemed to represent the feeling of every member present at this remarkable conference."

Conference Sentiment. While the meeting was only a conference and no one was bound by the result, yet in effect its deliberation will be equivalent to the caucus as the results obtained were reached without a dissenting voice and unquestionably expressed the conclusion of everybody present.

The remaining bills as recommended.

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THE EXPEDIENT PLATFORM.



(The cross marks the place where the money plank was ripped out.) —New York Press.

LEVY REMAINS AT LAST YEAR'S RATE

COUNCIL DID CONSIDERABLE ROUTINE BUSINESS AT ITS MEETING LAST NIGHT.

PERMISSION FOR SINKING OF COAL SHAFT IN CITY LIMITS GRANTED—VIRGINIA AVENUE IS TO BE PAVED.

An adjourned meeting of the City Council was held last evening. All the councilmen were present for the first time for many weeks. This cannot be accounted for unless there is an understanding that another meeting will not be held soon and some of the councilmen, who have not been present for some time, may have been afraid that they would forget how to act in meeting.

The tax levy was first taken up. Although the total levy remains the same, a part was taken from the general fund and set aside for general water purposes. The capitation tax was again fixed at \$1.00. The following is the levy on property:

For general purposes, .75.
For general water purposes, .25.
For water sinking fund, .12.
For sewer sinking fund, .08.

This makes a total of \$1.20 on the \$100 worth of property. It is the report of the finance committee and was adopted by the Council.

The firm of Kelley Brothers was granted a permit to build two houses on Walnut avenue and three on Albert Court.

The bill of A. J. Dick for publishing the city ticket in the Saturday Leader was turned down. Although the law says that the ticket must be published in only two newspapers of opposite politics, it has been the custom for about four papers to receive pay for doing so. This time the council refused to pay the bill.

Theodore Rolfs asked permission to erect a corrugated iron building with iron frame on his property on Jackson street. The matter was referred to the Street Committee for investigation. In the past a similar application was turned down.

An application for license to operate a saloon at the corner of Madison street and Porter alley was also turned down.

It was necessary again to talk over the old Spence street problem. No action was taken.

A claim was presented that the grading of Porter alley had damaged the fence and coal house on the Co-

gle property. The street committee will investigate.

The dangerous condition of the sidewalk from the Marion hotel to the Tavern was talked of and it was discovered that an order already exists for the repairing of same.

Street Commissioner Richardson was ordered to grade the sidewalk in front of the Second ward school building. It is the intention of the Board of Education to put down a new walk.

The Fairmont Brewing Company again submitted a proposition for the paving of Virginia avenue between Fourth and Fifth streets, and this time it was accepted. The Company will do the work and will take city orders for the cost, without interest, and will carry said orders for five years, after which they will be taken for taxes.

P. M. Hoge and S. B. Owen were given permission to sink a shaft within the city limits near the head waters of coal run. This is for the purpose of mining the Pittsburg vein of coal.

All O K'd bills were ordered paid, after which the Council adjourned until—perhaps.

WOMAN AND CHILD

HAD NARROW ESCAPE AT THE B. AND O. DEPOT TO-DAY—THE CROWD WAS HORRIFIED.

The recent fatal action at the local station and the narrow escape of a woman and child to-day, which horrified the crowd waiting for the afternoon trains, have caused the local railroad officials to attempt to evolve a plan for the safety of their patrons. Appliances that protect passengers at a terminal will not apply in this case, as trains are bound to stop at opposite ends of the platform, or at least their trains are reversed, necessitating passengers walking past baggage trucks in some instances.

To-day's incident was one of those which are unavoidable, as the engine bell was ringing loudly and the station porter was on duty, yet by the narrowest margin the woman and child escaped.

UNCLE JOE CANON MADE THE SPEECH OF NOTIFICATION—IT WILL BE FOUND ON PAGE SIX OF THIS ISSUE.

ON PAGE TWO WE GIVE THE PRESIDENT'S SPEECH ENTIRE—IT IS WELL WORTH READING.

OYSTER BAY, July 7.—President Theodore Roosevelt learned to-day, officially that he was nominated at Chicago to lead the forces of his party through this year's campaign. Of course he had an inkling that the Republican National convention took action in his favor on the 23d day of June last, but, until this afternoon, when "Uncle Joe" Cannon, Speaker of the House of Representatives and chairman of the notification committee told him on the porch at Sagamore Hill, he had no authentic official knowledge of the fact. Neither did the country at large really know until then whether or not President Roosevelt would accept the trust and make the race against the forces of organized and reorganized Democracy. But he did, and in a vigorous speech 3,100 words in length, told the country, "Uncle Joe" and the notification committee why he believed the Republican party ought to be retained in power for another four years. In addition to the committeemen from the various States and Territories who gathered at the President's residence to witness the ceremonies there were a number of distinguished guests especially invited by the President and a goodly gathering of his own kin.

The special bearing the committeemen and the invited guests reached Oyster Bay shortly after 11:30. When they alighted upon the clean granite walk beneath the station shed and looked about them, the new arrivals beheld what is probably the most remarkable collection of vehicles ever assembled at any one spot on earth. The village and surrounding country had been raked as with a fine tooth comb to provide enough carry-alls for the crowd to come and be it announced the everlasting glory of Oyster Bay, the order was filled in a business manner with lightning like rapidity. Secretary Loeb, who had general charge of the arrangements, received assurances from the three principal livermen of the town that all the conveyances needed would be at the station on time. But they did not make any promises about the particular style of vehicles they would provide. There were ancient family carriages with monster springs like Washington used to own; busses high of body with little windows for the occupants to play peek-a-boo with the wondering crowd on the side paths; there were 1904 pneumatic tired runabouts; surreys that had seen better days and many of them, and buggies that belonged to any age, from the foundation of the village some two hundred years ago. But all were drawn by willing horses, and after a few jolly laughs over the peculiarities of the quaint transportation line, the committeemen piled into the rigs and went trotting up the road toward Sagamore Hill, three and a half miles away, where the President was awaiting them with his most genial smile.

Owing to the decision of Secretary Loeb, who had doubtless consulted the President over the question, the townspeople at large were not permitted to visit Sagamore Hill for the purpose of listening to the speeches and seeing what was to be seen. This prohibition caused a good deal of hard feeling and possibly lost the President a few votes. Most of his old neighbors, however, believed that Mr. Loeb was entirely responsible and promised each other that they would "vote for the President just the same."

When Mr. Roosevelt was notified of his nomination for the Vice Presidency in 1900, the whole village participated in the jollification and perhaps it is only natural that those who were "in" the last celebration expected to take a hand in to-day's doings.

When the procession of funny vehicles reached the top of the hill upon

which the President's home is built and passed under the porte-cochere the committeemen and guests mounted the steps leading to the veranda and were received by the President who greeted each new comer with a hearty hand shake and a word or two of welcome.

Most of the guests remained upon the porch, although a few scattered themselves over the lawn surrounding the house and listened to the speeches from the auditorium of grass. Promptly at 12:30 Speaker Cannon stepped forward and after waiting for the applause to subside, delivered his speech to the President.

At the conclusion of "Uncle Joe's" speech there was more handclapping. Then President Roosevelt walked over to almost the same spot where had stood the speaker and delivered his speech of acceptance.

After the President had been cheered, congratulated and the handshaking was through with, the committeemen and guests did ample justice to a dainty luncheon. The special train taking the notification committee away from Oyster Bay will start at 3:30 and is scheduled to arrive at Long Island City at 4:30 P. M.

Members of the committee to notify the President of his nomination are the following:

Alabama, J. O. Thompson; Arkansas, H. M. Remmell; California, Governor George C. Pardee; Colorado, C. F. Caswell; Connecticut, Chas. S. Melien; Delaware, Francis S. Badley; Georgia, H. S. Edwards; Idaho, W. B. Heyburn; Illinois, Isaac K. Elwood; Indiana, W. R. McKeen; Iowa, G. M. Curtis; Kansas, W. T. F. Donald; Kentucky, C. F. Weaver; Louisiana, Emil Kantz; Maine, Ernest M. Goodall; Maryland, Felix Agnus; Massachusetts, Chas. G. Washburn; Michigan, Charles E. Sweet; Minnesota, W. W. Heffelfinger; Mississippi, L. B. Mosely; North Dakota, B. V. Nobles; Missouri, W. C. Pierce; Montana, Konrad Kohrs; Nebraska, G. W. Waples; Nevada, E. S. Farrington; New Hampshire, R. W. Pillsbury; New Jersey, Dr. Leslie B. Ward; New York, Chauncey M. Depew; North Carolina, blank; Ohio, George B. Walder; Oregon, S. J. Knile; Pennsylvania, Frank L. Robbins; Rhode Island, H. Martin Brown; South Carolina, A. M. Webster; South Dakota, F. F. Andrews; Tennessee, T. A. Lancaster; Texas, W. S. Simpson; Utah, Willard F. Snider; Virginia, S. Brownallen; Vermont, James F. Hooker; West Virginia, J. L. Caldwell; Washington, J. G. Lewis; Wisconsin, Ogden H. Feathers; Wyoming, C. D. Clark; Alaska, J. W. Ivey; Arizona, A. O. Brodie; Hawaii, E. A. Knudson; Indian Territory, George W. Bingham; New Mexico, Gov. M. A. Otero; Oklahoma, W. D. Foose; Porto Rico, Robert H. Todd.

ALL HOPE ENDED

CHICAGO, July 27.—All hope of immediate settlement of the stock yards strike ended this morning, when every union packing teamster went out. This completes the tie-up of the packing houses for the present. The teamsters voted to strike Sunday, but their by-laws forbid them to go out without the approval of the teamster's joint council and international brotherhood. This approval was received at midnight.

The packers claim they will not attempt to move a team. They have arranged to put their 1,200 horses on pasture and say they will handle their products by rail.

The packers have all distributing centers of storage houses in various sections of the city and they are notifying their customers that the retailers must send to these warehouses for their supply.

THE WEATHER.

Showers Promised To-Morrow.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 27.—Forecast for West Virginia: Fair in eastern, showers in western portion to-night Thursday, showers.